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PROGRAM OF ACTION

1. UNDER CHAIRMANSHIP OF POLISH AMBASSADOR JAROSZEK, WORKING GROUP ON PROGRAM OF ACTION HELD ITS FIRST MEETING JUNE 2 PM. NOTING THAT AD HOC COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN ORTIZ HAD PROPOSED A JUNE 21 DEADLINE FOR COMPLETION OF WORK IN THE TWO WORKING GROUPS AND THAT AD HOC COMMITTEE HAD ASKED FOR A FIRST PROGRESS REPORT FROM THE PROGRAM GROUP ON JUNE 9, CHAIRMAN SUGGESTED WORKING GROUP ESTABLISH 3 DRAFTING GROUPS TO WORK ON THE VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE PROGRAM. CHAIRMAN FURTHER SUGGESTED THAT CONTACT GROUPS WITH REPS FROM EAST, WEST AND NON-ALIGNED BE SET UP AS NECESSARY TO DEAL WITH SPECIFIC PROBLEMS ARISING IN DRAFTING GROUPS.

2. HOWEVER, INDIAN REP (VELLODI) PROPOSED THAT THERE BE ONLY ONE DRAFTING GROUP, AT LEAST INITIALLY, AND THAT THIS DRAFTING GROUP BEGIN BY CONSIDERING ALL
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THE NUCLEAR ISSUES. VELLODI STRESSED THAT DRAFTING GROUP SHOULD CONSIDER ALL THE NUCLEAR ISSUES AS AN INTERRELATED PACKAGE (JAROSZEK'S SUGGESTION WOULD HAVE DIVIDED NUCLEAR ISSUES BETWEEN TWO SEPARATE DRAFTING GROUPS, WITH A THIRD GROUP TO CONSIDER NON-NUCLEAR ISSUES). VELLODI ALSO PROPOSED DRAFTING GROUP NOT BEGIN WORK UNTIL MIDDLE OF NEXT WEEK IN

ORDER TO PERMIT DELS (ESPECIALLY THOSE NOT PREPCOM MEMBERS) TO PRESENT VIEW ON DRAFT DOCUMENT.

3. SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSION REVEALED WIDESPREAD SUPPORT, ESPECIALLY FROM NON-ALIGNED DELS, FOR INDIAN PROPOSALS. SEVERAL DELS ALSO EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS ON CHAIRMAN'S IDEA THAT TRILATERAL CONTACT GROUPS BE ESTABLISHED AS NECESSARY. US AND UK DELS STRESSED NEED TO ALLOW TIME IN SCHEDULE FOR INFORMAL CONTACT BETWEEN DELEGATIONS IN EFFORT TO RESOLVE DRAFTING ISSUES THAT COULD NOT BE DEALT WITH EVEN IN DRAFTING GROUPS. CHAIRMAN SUMMED UP CONSENSUS AS FOLLOWS: (1) ON JUNE 5 AND POSSIBLY JUNE 6, WORKING GROUP WILL HOLD GENERAL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS; (2) BEGINNING JUNE 7, A SINGLE OPEN-ENDED DRAFTING GROUP WILL MEET TO CONSIDER THE "NUCLEAR COMPLEX"; (3) SUBSEQUENTLY, ADDITIONAL DRAFTING GROUPS TO DEAL WITH OTHER ISSUES MAY BE ESTABLISHED; (4) ALL TEXTS WILL BE REVIEWED BY WORKING GROUP BEFORE SUBMISSION TO AD HOC COMMITTEE.

4. WORKING GROUP ON PROGRAM WILL MEET NEXT ON JUNE 5 PM. CHAIRMAN STATED THAT AT JUNE 5 MEETING HE WILL RAISE QUESTION OF WHETHER THERE SHOULD BE LIMITATION ON THE AMOUNT OF TIME ALLOTTED TO EACH SPEAKER DURING INITIAL PRESENTATION OF VIEWS. YOUNG

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